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ATIC Board Agenda for Wednesday, November 18, 2020

1. Administrative

- 1.1. Self-Introductions
- 1.2. Acceptance of Agenda Draft
- 1.3. Acceptance of Minutes from October 14, 2020, Board Meeting
- 1.4. Treasurer's Report
- 1.5. ATIC Board Membership Considerations
- 1.6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in October 14, 2020, Minutes

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- 2.1. None Scheduled

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 - 3.1.1. Rural Community Outreach
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 - 3.1.3. ACA Broadband Strategy & ATIC Role/Support
- 3.2. Arizona Broadband Stakeholder Network (Steve Peters)
 - 3.2.1. AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Updates
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 - 3.3.1. Arizona Technology in Education Association (AzTEA)
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 - 3.3.3. GAZEL Innovative Learning Collaborative Initiatives
- 3.4. Arizona State Library (Holly Henley, Mala Muralidharan)
- 3.5. Telehealth (Janet Major, Jeff Sobotka)
- 3.6. Government Affairs (Bob Jacobson, Mark Goldstein)

4. Information and Action Plans

- 4.1. ATIC Website & Teleconferencing (All)
 - 4.1.1. AZBSN Communications & Newsletter
- 4.2. ATIC Mailing List & CRM (All)
- 4.3. New Business and Motion Considerations (All)

5. Events Attended and Upcoming Meetings

6. Announcements

7. Adjourn



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ATIC Board Meeting Minutes

November 18, 2020

Attendees:

ATIC Board Members:

Jerry Crow, Oris Friesen, Henry Goldberg, Mark Goldstein, Holly Henley, Michael Cohen, Andy Phelan, Nan Williams, Jeff Sobotka, Mike Keeling and Derek Masseth.

ATIC Associates & Guests:

Steve Peters (AZBSN & GAZEL), Karen Ziegler (Consultant), Kirk Busch (BigData Southwest), Tracy Rexroat (Arizona Department of Education), Mala Muralidharan (Arizona State Library), Cynthia Bell (Alluvion Communications), Shereka Jackson (Future Stars AZ), Rachel Aja (Cox Communications) Dominic Papa (Arizona Commerce Authority) and Tarma Liranzo (Engineered Tower Solutions).

Quorum Met with 11 ATIC Board Members Present (Quorum = 7)

Many thanks to Nan Williams and the Arizona Technology in Education Association (AzTEA, <http://aztea.org/>) for the use of their Zoom Video account for video conferencing and dial-in capabilities and to the Arizona State Library for providing additional support.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 13, 2021, and will be held fully virtually, as will all our meetings until further notice. The full schedule of ATIC Board Meetings for 2021 can be found towards the end of these minutes.

ATIC Board Minutes for Wednesday, November 18, 2020

1. Administrative

1.1. Self-Introductions

See the list of attendees above.

1.2. Acceptance of Agenda Draft

MOTION: To accept the Agenda as submitted

MOVE: Oris Friesen

SECOND: Henry Goldberg

Passed Unanimously

1.3. Acceptance of Minutes from October 14, 2020, Board Meeting

MOTION: To accept the Minutes as submitted

MOVE: Jerry Crow

SECOND: Henry Goldberg

Passed Unanimously

1.4. Treasurer's Report

Ron Schott, Treasurer, circulated via email the Desert Financial Credit Union report with account and transaction details for Board reference, which are included at the back of these Minutes. Ron was not present and in his absence Mark Goldstein reported that current funds on hand total \$7577 after recent expenses.

Mark paid for the ATIC Post Office Box and web hosting but these have not yet been deducted from the ATIC bank account, and Steve Peters' AZBSN task force coordination \$800 payment for December still has to be paid. Mark expects ATIC's bank accounts will have about \$6200 at year end.

Mark recounted what Steve Peters has accomplished as a coordinator for AZBSN dating back to the first successful event at Rio Salado Community College and two subsequent webinars. After the pandemic arrived, ATIC approved paying Steve \$800 per month to manage the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force with the stipulation that this funding be reimbursed to ATIC as its first priority when AZBSN receives sponsorship or grant funding. Steve's funding of \$800 per month extends through December 2020.

Five payments of \$1,000 had been made to Steve Peters for support of the

AZBSN prior to February 29, 2020, which were not to be repaid to ATIC, and an additional \$7,200 (\$800 per month) has been paid to Steve for his work on the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force for March through November. Another \$800 has been encumbered for payment to Steve for his continuing work managing the task through December. In total, ATIC will have paid Steve Peters ten payments of \$800 per month for a total of \$8000 that it was agreed would be immediately repaid to ATIC from sponsorships or grants which the AZBSN receives as Steve solicits funding.

Mark had noted at our previous Board meeting that we must remember that AZBSN is separate from ATIC. At that time Mark stated there are three potential sources of future ATIC funding: AZBSN sponsorships, ATIC sponsorships, and ATIC grant opportunities.

Mark said we need a refresh of funds, which includes ATIC sponsorships as well as AZBSN sponsorships. We need to initiate a financial campaign for sponsors and other sources of funding. There may be some pandemic-related special grants available.

Steve will generate a sponsorship package that he hopes will be completed no later than this week with the recent completion of the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force report. He has spoken with Kirk Busch and others about potential sponsorships.

Mark requested people contact him if interested in helping with obtaining ATIC or AZBSN sponsorships. Mike Keeling offered to help identify funding sources.

Steve noted that the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force needs to identify what tasks from the Task Force report recommendations that it will undertake to implement which would need funding support.

1.5. ATIC Board Membership Considerations

Mark said we need to solicit some new Board members, and he is considering two people to contact in January.

1.6. Review of Outstanding Action Items as Documented in September 9, 2020, Minutes

None

2. Informational Presentations

2.1. None Scheduled

3. Activity Reports

3.1. Arizona Broadband Strategic Plan & FirstNet (Jeff Sobotka)

3.1.1. Rural Community Outreach

No report.

3.1.2. FirstNet Status & Outlook

No report.

3.1.3. ACA Broadband Strategy & ATIC Role/Support

Jeff Sobotka, State Broadband Director at the Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA), reported that the ACA has continued to develop working relationships with other organizations and has reached out to several external organizations such as Career and Technical Education (CTE) in the Arizona Department of Education (ADE); the healthcare community in Arizona; the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT); and the Arizona State Land Department (ASLD). Work continues on projects such as the fiber installation being done under CARES act funding along I-17 and I-19. ACA has applied for federal funding for the State Broadband Plan, and the federal government is looking for counties or groups of counties to apply for federal funds.

ACA is looking at emulating the Utah model to develop a statewide plan for smart highways with middle-mile infrastructure reaching rural communities and various last-mile solutions depending on the community. Jeff is hoping to identify counties and county associations among Yuma, La Paz and Mohave counties to apply for the appropriate federal grants. He is also looking for candidates on the east side of Arizona. Hopefully some grants for redundancy can be secured by groups in the White Mountains and in the Prescott area. He noted that the City of Tucson is working on a municipal wireless network and the City of Phoenix is also working on a wireless network for its school districts. Steve Peters commented he will invite a presentation to the AZBSN task force from Phoenix College on the City of Phoenix network.

The Sun Corridor Network is a new partner on the ADOT I-17 and I-19 project and will have an expanded role in the state. Derek Masseth and Lev Gonick, CIO at ASU, will have a significant role to play as they plan to model their efforts on work done in California and Texas albeit on a smaller scale. The specific details are being defined.

Jeff praised the Cox Connect2Compete Program and the T-Mobile Project 10Million as important service provider programs addressing digital equity.

He hopes to improve the working relationship with the service providers and to convince them to expand beyond their comfort zone and focus more directly on rural areas where broadband is badly needed. He noted that SimplyBits of Tucson has been working with Davis-Monthan Air Force Base and is reaching out to the Bisbee and Douglas communities.

Jeff is working with the NTIA on a series of monthly workshops (webinars/town halls) to get broadband to rural Arizona communities, and will work with ATIC and the AZBSN on planning these workshops.

Mark asked about any reports on the community activities for funding. Jeff said Bullhead City and Page are active and are building out. There is a million-dollar grant that is being used by the city of Page to upgrade its infrastructure for a smart city model. Springerville and St. Johns are going forward as well. Gila county is moving ahead using the Idaho model as its guide. Broadband Action Teams (BATs) have been established in some cities such as Yuma, St. Johns and Springerville, where communities have hired consultants with state Rural Broadband Development Grants (RBDG) to create broadband plans with which to apply for Economic Development Administration (EDA) grants. Jeff stated he provides reports on these communities' RBDG grant activities, and would be willing to provide a summary of these reports to ATIC.

Jeff continued, saying the Telehealth BAT has been looking into getting federal funding. Through cooperation with Derek Masseth, Executive Director of the Sun Corridor Network (SCN), and Lev Gonick, Chief Information Officer (CIO) at ASU, communities will continue to be able to leverage these assets. Jeff is referring the AZBSN Task Force list of consultants to communities for broadband planning. Steve Peters noted the AZBSN Task Force Report recommends establishing a strategic planning process for the SCN, and Jeff responded that would be helpful. Derek Masseth added that SCN supports this and wants to consider how it can expand its role to support Arizona education.

Mark noted that FCC Community Connect grants whose requirements are quite demanding are due by December 23. He is working on one in Alaska and asked if anyone in Arizona is working on these grants. Jeff replied he doesn't know of any Arizona applications for FCC Community Connect Grants.

Steve asked about the Governor's proposed \$10 million funding for continued state RBDG grants that may or may not become available and whether there are private sector or foundation alternatives for funding. Jeff replied that the state grant is key because they can do things that cannot be done with federal grants and a big problem is the matching fund requirement by the federal government. Jeff is trying to use the RBDG grants as leverage

for this matching requirement. Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) funding from banks should also be sought.

Steve said Lea Márquez Peterson of the Arizona Corporation Commission is looking at repurposing Arizona Universal Service Funds (AUSF) towards broadband for high-cost rural communities. He asked if there are other opportunities and options and suggested that maybe ATIC could make a recommendation for how best to use this funding. Along these lines Mark suggested these AUSF funds may be able to provide matching funds for federal grants, and he provided access in the chat file to a report published in 1995 that he authored for John Kelly when John was Governor Symington's Telecom Policy Officer. The report anticipates today's pending transformation of the AUSF from a 25 year past perspective. Jeff responded he will talk to Lea about potential new broadband uses for the AUSF. Currently the money from the AUSF all goes to Frontier which does not make sense, but the AUSF has restrictions on how the funding can be used. Steve added the ACC has some flexibility since it used the AUSF to provide matching funds for E-rate projects. Mark stated the ACC AUSF transition to support broadband will be considered by ATIC Lobbyist Bob Jacobson and discussed in the Arizona Technology Council Public Policy Guide.

Mike Keeling observed that the CIO for ADOT wants a statewide mapping of fiber assets. Since Howard Ward is a GIS consultant for Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) perhaps Jeff could obtain a map of fiber assets from Howard for one location. Jeff and Brian Sherman at ACA are working with Brad Burgess at ADOT about such map projects. Mike Keeling said ADOT wants to make this map as sharable as possible. There used to be a robust broadband mapping effort in Arizona from 2010-2014, and the past GIS model could still be useful for future use by ADOT. ADOT wants to share this with the Councils of Governments (COGs). Jeff stated NTIA is putting together a new national broadband map, and Arizona would like to contribute to this. Mark noted there are issues about whether fiber maps can only be used for internal purposes or shared with others.

Mala emphasized the urgency of this work noting that the FCC denies projects that rely on current FCC maps. So we really need these maps of fiber assets and SHLB is working along these lines. Mark agreed and said the maps are key for providing up-to-date data.

Steve asked Jeff to put together a newsletter type of report that would summarize the things he has been reporting on to AZBSN and ATIC.

Steve announced he wants Simply Bits to present at an AZBSN meeting

Steve also wants Dominic Papa to give a presentation on smart cities.

Jeff reiterated that it is important for people in Arizona to know how to access federal grant funds that will almost certainly be available in 2021 as a result of expected pandemic-related stimulus funding programs. Mark Goldstein said he is hopeful that Arizona can benefit from the \$10 billion Broadband Development Fund legislation introduced by Senator Tim Scott of South Carolina and other co-sponsors. These funds may be allocated at the discretion of the Governor. Mark recalled the 2012 Digital Arizona Highways Act and compared the current atmosphere to that during the Obama stimulus era. Jeff believes if Arizona constructs a digital highway system reaching all rural communities, that it would be transformative.

3.2. Arizona Broadband Stakeholder Network (Steve Peters) AZBSN

3.2.1. COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Report Discussion

Steve Peters reported on the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force and noted “digital” includes not only broadband Internet access, but also devices, digital content, professional development, digital literacy and technical support. The Task Force meets every Monday morning and is attended by about 30-40 representatives from broadband service providers, technology companies, state and local government agencies, educational organizations, non-profit organizations and consultants. Steve briefly summarized the meetings that have been held as well as the summary reports produced and distributed after each meeting. Steve noted that updates are provided at the weekly task force meetings from the Arizona Commerce Authority (ACA), the Arizona Department of Education (ADE), the Arizona State Library, the Sun Corridor Network (SCN) and the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC).

Steve announced that the AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Report and Recommendations has been completed by Insight after some minor revisions and will be uploaded this morning. There is a landing page for the Report and one for the Task Force, both of which have been updated. People can download the Report from the landing page. Mark commented on the minor corrections and noted that the Report will be dated November 18 instead of November 2.

Steve has been working with Insight on a cover letter, press release, and social media publicity for the task force report. Steve urged attendees to forward information about the Report and its availability to their mailing lists and constituents.

Steve said the ATIC and GAZEL database needs to be updated but he has not received input from anyone. He emphasized that he urgently needs updated contact information. Key entities that need to be contacted include the League of Arizona Cities and Towns, AzTEA, Sun Corridor Network among a host of others.

Steve said a sponsorship letter should be completed by tomorrow, and he will be contacting potential AZBSN sponsors with the release of the task force report..

Steve emphasized that a fund-raising activity to implement task force recommendations and other AZBSN activities needs to be initiated.

He said there is a need to schedule meetings with key policy makers such as the Governor's Office and Superintendent of Public Instruction at ADE to review the recommendations and to develop a strategy to continue collaborating with current and new participants. Some tasks will require the State to take the lead while others can be led by the task force members. The task force may establish project teams to implement recommendations. The next step is for the Task Force to identify what tasks need to be pursued and prioritized.

Currently there does not exist a good picture of where the needs are. For example, adequate data for the numerous school districts is lacking. A definitive answer is needed to the question: How large a problem still remains to be solved? How can the task force advocate for and leverage the Sun Corridor Network and potentially establish a strategic planning process to evolve its mission? How can Jeff Sobotka's work be factored into the process? How can fiber deployed to schools and library anchor institutions in communities be leveraged in a "To and Through" approach that allow broadband providers to provide services to other entities.

3.2.2. Formation of an AZBSN Task Force Marketing Committee

Another need is to develop a publicity and marketing campaign for distributing the report to all the relevant organizations. A marketing committee needs to be created to plan and execute such a campaign, and the existing database of Arizona economic development leaders and decision-makers needs to be cleaned up and expanded.

3.2.3. Return to Outreach Activities with Newsletters & Webinars

No report.

3.3. Greater Arizona Educational Leadership (Steve Peters, Nan Williams)

3.3.1. Arizona Technology in Education Association (AzTEA)

Nan Williams attended several conferences in October including the Pandemic Problem-Solving Meetups, the AzTEA CIO/CTO Virtual Event with Center of Digital Education and the AzTEA Fall Virtual Conference 2020.

She serves on the EDETech Committee for the Arizona Department of Education (ADE) which is rewriting the Educational Technology standards this year.

Nan is also participating in the ADE Technology Task Force on the Digital Learning Subcommittee.

Nan reported that AzTEA has several events coming up for professional learning and events. They are listed below:

Pandemic Problem-Solving Meetups Bi-weekly
<https://conta.cc/2RBuv0C>

PD in Small Bytes: Bridging Learning in Uncertain Times (webinar series)
Starting December 3 and monthly thereafter
<https://conta.cc/3npax7Q>

Digital Literacy: Here, There, and Everywhere Webinar Series:
November 18th to December 9th (weekly)
<https://bit.ly/3krZ4Tj>

ISTE Certified Educator Winter 20 Cohort Starting December 12th
<https://conta.cc/2T0sQ5k>

Partnering with TCEA to offer online courses for Educators
<https://tcea.org/learn/courses/>

10th Annual STEM Unconference STEM Az Education Collaborative Jan 30th
<https://bit.ly/stemunconf21>

3.3.2. Labster Virtual Laboratory Simulations Consortium

As noted in the report last month, the AZBSN Task Force report is recommending that a virtual laboratories consortium for the state be explored, but not necessarily be limited to Labster technology.

3.3.3. GAZEL Innovative Learning Collaborative Initiatives

No report.

3.4. Arizona State Library (Holly Henley, Mala Muralidharan)

Mala attended the SHLB Coalition's AnchoNETS conference 2020, which was completely online this year and was spaced out from August 28 through November 21. The attendees identified twelve areas as priority topics for 2021.

They are (1) rural funding for telehealth, especially for the FCC's Rural Health Care (RHC) program; (2) E-rate streamlining of operations and continued funding for the E-rate program; (3) the inclusion of other anchor institutions in an expansion of Universal Service Fund (USF) funding such as broadband subsidies for colleges, public housing, community centers, et al; (4) the inclusion of anchor institutions in future broadband maps; (5) support for significant Congressional funding of broadband infrastructure in rural (as well as urban) markets; (6) encourage the FCC to make available for Wi-Fi more unlicensed spectrum such as TV White spaces, 5.9 GHz and 6 GHz; (7) streamline the process for obtaining licensed spectrum permits; (8) allow rural schools, colleges and educational institutions to apply for Educational Broadband Service (EBS) licenses, similar to the application window for Tribes; (9) reform the Universal Service Fund (USF); (10) strengthen the communications Lifeline Program for mobile wireless providers; (11) support Congressional funding for national and state grants for digital equity programs; and (12) streamline and expedite pole attachment approval processes.

The Connect AZ map has been viewed over 155,000 times and includes 1,158 locations that were added to the map after the surveys were received. There are plans to move the web site to a higher performance site.

Nicole Umayam is participating in the digital navigation groups. An example of their work is how Chicanos Por La Causa (CPLC) is educating parents so they can help their children during online learning sessions. They are also working on training for job related skills needed for remote working. LibTAP Digital Navigators have supported 334 calls to date. Twenty-five percent of these calls involve one-on-one assistance in learning how to complete a task online or with a device.

Holly Henley is continuing to monitor projects made possible by CARES Act funding for Arizona libraries. The projects are listed on the website at <https://azlibrary.gov/libdev/funding>. She mentioned the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) 2021 Grants, which include mini-grants of \$4,000 for Wi-Fi hotspot lending and \$4,000 for Wi-Fi expansion projects available to libraries. A question was asked about the check-out periods for hotspots. The checkout period is determined by the libraries, but it is always longer than one day. The length of checkout times will be reported when the data is received.

For a more detailed report, see the following two pages.

State Library Report for ATIC – November 2020 Meeting

SHLB Coalition's Anchnets conference 2020

Mala attended the SHLB Coalition's Anchnets conference 2020. It was completely online this year. It started on Aug 28 and ends on Nov 21. The topics covered included workshops on Spectrum, E-rate and remote learning, E-rate and Internal Connections funding rules and guidelines, Rural Health care needs.

There were discussions on SHLB Policy priorities for 2021. Below is the first draft of Possible Focus Agenda Topics for 2021:

1. **Rural Health:** More funding for telehealth, especially for the FCC's Rural Health Care (RHC) program.
 - a. Current funding of \$600 M per year should at least be doubled to account for spike in telemedicine.
 - b. USAC application review processes should be expedited
2. **E-rate:** Streamline operations and continue funding for the E-rate program
 - a. Preserve E-rate support for fiber and continue E-rate Category 2 funding.
 - b. Amend E-rate rules to permit funding for Wi-Fi on school buses and cybersecurity.
 - c. Amend E-rate rules to allow schools and libraries to extend service to the home.
3. **Other Anchors:** Expand USF funding to provide similar broadband subsidies for other anchor institutions such as colleges, public housing, community centers, etc.
4. **Mapping:** Broadband maps should include anchor institutions.
5. **Broadband Infrastructure:** Support significant Congressional funding for broadband infrastructure in rural (and urban) markets.
 - a. use competitive bidding process open to all providers
 - b. networks built with public funding should have open access obligations.
6. **Unlicensed spectrum:** Encourage the FCC to make more unlicensed spectrum available for Wi-Fi, such as TV White spaces, 5.9 GHz, 6 GHz, etc.
7. **Licensed spectrum:** streamline the process for obtaining licensed spectrum permits
8. **EBS:** Allow rural schools, colleges and educational institutions to apply for EBS licenses, similar to the application window for Tribes.
 - a. also re-open an additional window for Tribes who could not apply in the first round.
9. **USF reform:**
 - a. No overall cap on the USF
 - b. Support a new more stable funding mechanism for the entire USF

10. **Lifeline:**
 - a. Strengthen existing program for mobile wireless
 - b. Eliminate ETC requirements for Lifeline providers.
 - c. Adopt a new subsidy program for wireline service for low-income people.
11. **Digital Equity:** Support Congressional funding for national and state grants for digital equity programs (as in the Digital Equity Act).
12. **Pole Attachments:** Streamline and expedite approval processes. Establish more uniform rates.

Connect Arizona

- The map has been viewed over 155,000 times and includes 1,158 locations. The team is adding locations to the map weekly
- Planning for a site redesign and database
- LibTAP Digital Navigators have supported 334 calls to date. 25% of these calls involve one-on-one assistance in learning how to complete a task online or with a device. (Examples: using email, using smartphones and apps, troubleshooting why internet is slow)

Digital Navigators

- The State Library participates in a NDIA working group on Digital Navigators.
- Many orgs are now doing things that look like digital navigator programs during the pandemic because the need for internet at home and digital skills is vital. AZ LibTAP is one example.
- Other Arizona examples: Valley of the Sun United Way hotline for one-week to support parents in using online ed tools. Chicanos Por La Causa partnership with other organizations to do a Parent Educator Academy, 4 week training for parents on the virtual classroom environment and job ready skills.

CARES and LSTA Grants:

The State Library continues to monitor projects made possible by CARES Act funding for Arizona libraries. The State Library received over \$657 thousand from IMLS and distributed it in three phases. Projects are listed on the website. <https://azlibrary.gov/libdev/funding>
In November, the State Library published online the guidelines for the LSTA 2021 Grants, which include mini-grants of \$4,000 for wi-fi hotspot lending and \$4,000 for wi-fi expansion projects available to libraries. The application process for these mini-grants is simplified to enable libraries that do not have professional grant writers to apply and use the funds for small projects. https://azlibrary.gov/sites/default/files/2021_lsta_guidelines.pdf

End of State Library's Report

3.5. Telehealth (Janet Major)

Mark reported on Janet Major's contribution which she submitted to ATIC prior to the meeting. Here are some educational opportunities that she wanted to share with the group.

The United States Distance Learning Association produced a webinar on broadband resources last week for National Distance Learning Week. We shared a lot of information including a presentation by Jeff Sobotka to highlight Arizona as an example of the great things you can do when you have a broadband plan, a state broadband director and an actively engaged stakeholder's group.

We were also joined by Tim Moyer, Director National Broadband Availability Map (NBAM) <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/>. He shared some slides that described the National Broadband Availability Map and where their data is coming from in great detail. Another great resource link is the State Broadband Leaders Network so we can get our distance learning constituency and other stakeholders connected to the broadband leaders in their state: <https://broadbandusa.ntia.doc.gov/ntia-resources/state-broadband-leaders-network-sbln>. The video archive of the event will be available through December 31, 2020, at <https://usdla.org/events/ndlwl/>.

The next big ATP/SWTRC webinar that would be of interest to this group is the annual National Rural Health Day and Rural Health Policy Roundup with Alan Morgan, Executive Director for the National Rural Health Association this Thursday. You can view the webinar by following the links at <https://telemedicine.arizona.edu/event/webinar/2020-11-19-alan-morgan-2020-mid-year-rural-health-policy-roundup>.

3.6. Government Affairs (Bob Jacobson, Mark Goldstein)

Mark reported that the state and federal sections in the Arizona Technology Council Public Policy Guide have been completed. This Public Policy Guide will be published in November.

He also reported on the hope for passage of a \$10 billion Congressional bill, supported by Senator Cornyn and others, to shore up USAC, USDA, EDA and other broadband-related programs.

Other legislation deals with a waiver of certain fees for low-income users and a Grant-Lite formula whereby Arizona may get a significant share of funds which will be state level discretionary.

Mark also speculated that under the Biden administration a new FCC membership may look differently on Net Neutrality and will likely re-examine positions on social media platforms.

As reported in the minutes for last month, Henry Goldberg suggested that ATIC should discuss its role in lobbying for recommendations in the AZBSN Task Force Report. Mark said ATIC needs to address that topic early on before the legislature convenes in January. Mark stated that ATIC/AZBSN has had discussions with Jeff Sobotka, Lea Márquez Peterson, and Ben Blink.

4. Information and Action Plans

4.1. ATIC Website & Teleconferencing (All)

As noted previously by Mark and Steve, the ATIC website is aging a bit. For example, the resources page is out of date. The website needs to be leveraged to publicize the COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force Report recommendations as well as using it for communications and public engagement, such as newsletters.

4.1.1. AZBSN Communications & Newsletter

There remains a continuing need for volunteers to work
(1) on regular maintenance of the Weebly ATIC website and
(2) on providing a regular newsletter about all that's going on in the broadband world.

4.2. ATIC Mailing List & CRM (All)

Nothing to report.

4.3. New Business and Motion Considerations (All)

Nothing to report.

5. Events Attended and Upcoming Meetings

Nothing to report.

6. Announcements

On December 9 Mark will speak via WebEx on Next Generation Wireless at the IEEE Computer Society Phoenix Chapter Meeting.

7. Adjourn

Upcoming ATIC Board & Public Meetings

Upcoming ATIC Board Meetings for 2021 are scheduled for the second Wednesdays of the month (except August and December) from 12:00-2:00 p.m. and will be held fully virtually until further notice. Board Meetings are open for all to participate. Please plan to join us.

- No Board Meeting in December (Happy Holidays!)
- January 13, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- February 10, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- March 10, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- April 14, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- May 12, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- June 9, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- July 14, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- No Board Meeting in August (Summer Break)
- September 8, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- October 13, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- November 10, 2021 (Zoom &/or Dial In)
- No Board Meeting in December (Happy Holidays!)

ATIC Special and Public Meetings:

AZBSN COVID-19 Digital Access Task Force continues to hold meetings every Monday morning at 7:30 a.m. See the Planning page at <https://www.arizonatele.org/covid19-planning.html> for details. Also see Task Force information and related resources at <https://www.arizonatele.org/covid19-about.html>.

Future AZBSN newsletter, webinars, and roundtables are under development

11/10/2020

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Savings

\$289.92

ATIC 073206

A \$289.92

04081-0000

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Share Certificate

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Business Cert 12 Month ...

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A Available Balance

BudgetTracker

You have no budgets

Create a Budget

Important Information

Medicare Annual Enrollment Period

Switch or sign up for new Medicare plans.

November 02, 2020

Say No to Germs! Contactless Payment ...

Avoid the nasties by making no-touch purchases.

November 02, 2020

Quick Links

Credit Card Login

Investments (Raymond James)

Mortgage Loans (MLOS)

Identity Secure

Mobile App 101

Link External Accounts



Get Started

Last 15 days



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Next 15 days



There is no activity scheduled for the
next 15 days.

11/10/2020

Print Transactions

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ATIC 434041 04081-0400*Transaction History*

Statement Period: All Dates

Date of Statement: 11/10/2020

Posted Transactions (100)

DATE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	BALANCE
11/10/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$28.40	\$1,008.73
10/13/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$26.91	\$1,037.13
10/05/20	DRAFT #2213 TRACER 32551935	-\$800.00	\$1,064.04
10/02/20	DRAFT #2212 TRACER 32526978	-\$800.00	\$1,864.04
09/10/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$28.52	\$2,664.04
09/08/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	\$2,000.00	\$2,692.56
08/26/20	DRAFT #2211 TRACER 31776969	-\$800.00	\$692.56
08/11/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$28.04	\$1,492.56
07/27/20	DRAFT #2210 TRACER 31140346	-\$800.00	\$1,520.60
07/24/20	COUNTRY MUTU*AL INS 6300 866-268- 6879 IL 00000000	-\$875.00	\$2,320.60
07/20/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	\$2,000.00	\$3,195.60
07/17/20	ARIZONA TECHNOLOGY 8699 WWW.AZTECHCOU AZ 00000000	-\$400.00	\$1,195.60
07/13/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$27.05	\$1,595.60
06/29/20	DRAFT #2209 TRACER 30569018	-\$800.00	\$1,622.65
06/19/20	ARIZONA CORP COMM 9399 .CC.STATE AZ, AZ 0001	-\$10.00	\$2,422.65
06/17/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	\$2,000.00	\$2,432.65
06/10/20	CENTURYLINK AUTO PAY AZ TELCOM INFO COUNCIL	-\$26.30	\$432.65
06/03/20	DRAFT #2208 TRACER 30058924	-\$800.00	\$458.95
05/29/20	ONLINE BANKING TRANSFER FROM 0000	\$400.00	\$1,258.95